



LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

October 28, 2003

The Honorable Board of Directors
Los Angeles County
Regional Park and Open Space District
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Directors:

**ALLOCATE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
CITIES AND COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS AND
AUTHORIZE AWARD AND ADMINISTRATION OF EXCESS FUNDS GRANTS
(SECOND DISTRICT - 3 - VOTE MATTER)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD

1. Allocate Second Supervisorial District Cities and County Excess Funds in the total amount of \$2,156,427.20 as identified in Attachment A.
2. Authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation to award grants as identified in Attachment A when applicable conditions have been met, and to administer the grants pursuant to procedures in the Procedural Guide for Specified and Per Parcel Projects.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Approval of the recommendations will allocate funds for capital improvement grants to eight cities and the County in the Second Supervisorial District and provide for administration of the grants under existing Regional Park and Open Space District guidelines.

The Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (1996 Proposition) provides a method for determining each fiscal year the amount of funds available in the following fiscal year to fund capital improvement projects in addition to the amounts specifically identified for projects in the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996. A total of \$8,435,232 of Excess Funds is available for allocation in the Second Supervisorial District, as shown in Attachment B. The Second Supervisorial District is recommending allocation to eight cities a total of \$1,771,427.20 and \$385,000 to the County of Los Angeles for parking improvements at Jesse Owens Park and acquisition of tax-defaulted property for expansion of the La Brea Greenbelt, as shown in Attachment A.

It is also recommended that the Director of Parks and Recreation be authorized to award the grants, when applicable conditions have been met, and to administer the grants under procedures previously approved by your Board. The Director will determine that the applications for the funds are for projects eligible to receive District funding.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The proposed recommendations further the Board approved County Strategic Plan Goal 1 (Service Excellence), Goal 4 (Fiscal Responsibility) and Goal 6 (Community Service) by allowing your Board to allocate Excess Funds to the eight cities and the County of Los Angeles for their projects.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Sufficient appropriation for these grants in the amount of \$2,156,427.20 is budgeted from the Second Supervisorial District portion of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District Excess Funds Project Fund, HD6.

Funds for the grants are available from the Second Supervisorial District's portion of the Regional Park and Open Space District allocations for additional capital projects in Fiscal Year 2003-04 Excess Funds.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The 1996 Proposition provides for an annual determination of the availability of excess funds and for allocation of such funds for capital projects in four categories. On June 24, 2003, your Board identified funds for capital projects in Fiscal Year 2003-04. The recommended grants would be funded from the amounts identified for the Second Supervisorial District, as shown in Attachment B.

The 1996 Proposition requires that agencies to which funds were allocated under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996 encumber all such funds before they may receive grants of Excess Funds. The 1996 Proposition also requires that Excess Funds be awarded to the County in the same total amount as is awarded to cities in the same fiscal year. The Board may establish additional conditions on grants of Excess Funds. The Director of Parks and Recreation would be authorized to award grants when all applicable conditions have been met. Any funds allocated by the Board but not encumbered by award of a grant contract in the same fiscal year shall be available for allocation by the Board in the following fiscal year.

Your Board approved a Procedural Guide on June 17, 1997, to govern the administration of Regional Park and Open Space District grants for Specified and Per Parcel projects. This Procedural Guide would appropriately govern the administration of the recommended additional grants as well.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Grant Project Agreements will be entered into and administered under authority delegated to the Director of Parks and Recreation and pursuant to the Procedural Guide approved by the Board in 1997 and used since then for the administration of similar grant projects. The Project Agreements will be approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended projects will provide additional recreational and open space opportunities to residents of the Second Supervisorial District.

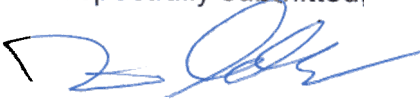
ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Section 15061 (b) (3) of the Guidelines for the Implementation of the CEQA because it can be seen with certainty that this action will have no impact on the environment. Any projects funded through the District are required to undergo the applicable CEQA review.

CONCLUSION

Please instruct the Executive Office-Clerk of the Board to return one conformed copy of this action to the Chief Administrative Office, Capital Projects Division, and to return three conformed copies to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tim Gallagher', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Tim Gallagher
Director, Parks and Recreation

Attachments (2)

c: Chief Administrative Officer
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors (22)
County Counsel

Second Supervisorial District Cities Excess Funds Allocations

	<u>Amount</u>
Carson	\$387,622.73
Compton	\$333,970.25
Culver City	\$147,480.08
Gardena	\$83,371.68
Hawthorne	\$201,078.25
Inglewood	\$348,894.50
Lawndale	\$97,100.87
Lynwood	<u>\$171,908.84</u>
	\$1,771,427.20

Second Supervisorial District County Excess Funds Allocation

Jesse Owens Park Parking Lot	\$185,000.00
La Brea Greenbelt Acquisition	\$200,000.00
Grand Total	\$2,156,427.20

**REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT
EXCESS FUNDS
As of September 30, 2003**

Allocation Category	(A) Cumulative Funds	(B) Previous Allocations	(A-B) Available for Allocation	(C) Recommended Allocations	(A-B)-(C) Remaining
Highest Priority Regional Open Space and Recreation Projects (Specified)	\$ 4,002,854.40	\$ -	\$ 4,002,854.40	\$ -	\$ 4,002,854.40
Cities	\$ 2,001,427.20	\$ 230,000.00	\$ 1,771,427.20	\$ 1,771,427.20	\$ -
County	\$ 2,001,427.20	\$ 230,000.00	\$ 1,771,427.20	\$ 385,000.00	\$ 1,386,427.20
Competitive	\$ 889,523.20	\$ -	\$ 889,523.20	\$ -	\$ 889,523.20
District Total:	\$ 8,895,232.00	\$ 460,000.00	\$ 8,435,232.00	\$ 2,156,427.20	\$ 6,278,804.80